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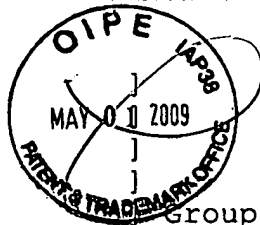
In Re Application of:
BERNHARD BRINKHAUS

Serial No.: 10/517,606

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Title: **SPINAL COLUMN SUPPORT
SYSTEM**

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AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated November 17, 2008, please amend the above-entitled application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification are found beginning on page 2 of this document'

Amendments to the Claims are shown in the listing of the claims in this application which begin on page 5 of this submission.

Remarks of counsel are found beginning on page 9 of this Amendment.

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